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SUBJECT: U.S.-ARGENTINA SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION
AGREEMENT

1. AS DEPT AND NSF AWARE, SUBJECT AGREEMENT DUE TO EXPIRE
APRIL 7, 1977. ACCORDING TO ARTICLE VIII, AGREEMENT MAY BE
EXTENDED UNLESS TERMINATED BY ONE PARTY GIVING WRITTEN NOTICE
12 MONTHS BEFORE ITS EXPIRATION.

2. IN EMBASSY VIEW, AGREEMENT EXTENSION IS DESIRABLE. AGREEMENT
CURRENTLY PROVIDES UMBRELLA FOR NUMBER OF S&T PROJECTS OF INTEREST
TO VARIOUS USG AGENCIES AS WELL AS COOPERATIVE RESEARCH PROJECTS
ADMINISTERED FOR U.S. BY NSF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OFFICE.
MORE PROJECTS OF VARIOUS KINDS MAY WELL DEVELOP IN ENSUING FIVE
YEARS. KEY ADVANTAGE TO US OF AGREEMENT IS PROVISION FOR
CLEARANCE BY GOA OF EQUIPMENT, ETC. IN AND OUT OF ARGENTINA
WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE BE VERY DIFFICULT AND IN SOME CASES A
PRACTICAL IMPOSSIBILITY. AGREEMENT DOES NOT RPT NOT FORCE US TO
CONCLUDE ANY SPECIFIC PROJECT AGREEMENT WE DON'T WANT TO
CONCLUDE. WE SEE NO REASON, THEREFORE, TO ADVISE GOA WE
WANT TERMINATION.

3. TO CONTRARY, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE INFORM GOA
THAT USG HAS EVALUATED SITUATION AND IS IN FAVOR OF CONTINUING
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AGREEMENT FOR ANOTHER 5-YEAR PERIOD. THIS COULD BE DONE BY

AMBASSADOR DURING INITIAL CALLS ON NEW MINISTERS.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPT AND NSF COMMENTS SOONEST.
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